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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. By the Amendment, claims 1-18 are amended, and new claims 19 and 20 are added. No new matter is introduced in the application. Support for the claims can be found throughout the original specification, including the claims and drawings originally filed, for example, in the paragraph bridging pp. 5 and 6. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and at least the following reasons.

The Office Action, at page 2, objects to claims 7 and 13 for minor informalities. Applicant traverses the objection and submits that grounds for the objection are obviated by the amendments to the claims. Withdrawal of the objection is thus respectfully requested.

The Office Action, also at page 2, rejects claim 3 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite. Applicant traverses the objection and submits that grounds for the rejection are obviated by the amendments to claim 3. Withdrawal of the rejection is thus respectfully requested.

The Office Action, at page 3, rejects claims 1, 3-7, 9-13, and 15-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 4,907,085 to Bingham. The Office Action, at page 6, rejects claims 2, 8, and 14 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 6,396,962 to Haffey et al. (hereinafter “Haffey”). Because the references, individually or in combination, fail to disclose or suggest all the features of the claims, the rejections are respectfully traversed.

With respect to claims 1-6, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claim 1 is directed to a method for displaying a user’s manual for a video apparatus, that includes features

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of successively displaying portions of the user's manual corresponding to respective parts of the video apparatus in an initial predetermined display order, interrupting the initial predetermined display order upon a selection of at least one part of the video apparatus by a user input, and displaying portions of the user's manual corresponding to the at least one part of the video apparatus. Applicant respectfully submits at least such features are not disclosed or suggested by Bingham.

Applicant respectfully submits Bingham relates to a method and a system for instructing a user in assigning functions to connectors on a television that involves display of a graphic representation of the connectors along with a menu of interconnection options. See Bingham, at col. 1, line 58 – col. 2, line 13, and Abstract. The purported advantage of the system of Bingham is that fewer connectors need to be provided on the television because the connectors are programmable/reprogrammable. (Bingham Abstract).

Bingham, in Figures 1a and 1b, appears to disclose a graphic display representative of the rear panel of the television having a connector configuration thereon, and the menu having a matrix of optional functional assignments for the connectors to be selected by the user. Thus, Bingham does not disclose at least successively displaying portions of the user's manual corresponding to respective parts of the video apparatus in an initial predetermined display order, interrupting the initial predetermined display order upon a selection of at least one part of the video apparatus by a user input, and displaying portions of the user's manual corresponding to the at least one part of the video apparatus. Therefore, claim 1 defines patentable subject matter.

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For at least the above reasons, Applicant respectfully submits claim 1 is allowable. Claims 2-6 ultimately depend from claim 1 and thus are allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as additional patentable subject matter recited therein and the combinations thereof. Applicant respectfully submits Haffey also fails to disclose or suggest at least successively displaying portions of the user's manual corresponding to respective parts of the video apparatus in an initial predetermined display order. Withdrawal of the rejections is thus respectfully requested.

With respect to claims 7-12, Applicant respectfully submits independent claim 7 is directed to a method for displaying a video, that includes features of graphically displaying multiple images of predetermined portions of a video apparatus and images of at least one peripheral apparatus according to the selection key signal, and graphically and sequentially displaying corresponding portions of the instruction manual of a method for connecting the video apparatus to the at least one peripheral apparatus. Applicant respectfully submits at least such features are not disclosed or suggested by Bingham.

As discussed above, Bingham appears to disclose a graphic display of the rear panel of the television. Further, Bingham does not disclose or suggest displaying images of a peripheral apparatus. Therefore, claim 7 defines patentable subject matter.

For at least the above reasons, Applicant respectfully submits claim 7 is allowable. Claims 8-12 ultimately depend from claim 7 and thus are allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as additional patentable subject matter recited therein and the combinations thereof. Applicant respectfully submits Haffey also fails to disclose or suggest at least graphically

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displaying multiple images of predetermined portions of a video apparatus and images of at least one peripheral apparatus according to the selection key signal, and graphically and sequentially displaying corresponding portions of the instruction manual of a method for connecting the video apparatus to the at least one peripheral apparatus. Withdrawal of the rejections is thus respectfully requested.

With respect to claims 13-18, Applicant respectfully submits independent claim 13 is directed to an apparatus for displaying a manual of a video apparatus, that includes features of a manual data storage unit for storing manual data including the manual of a method for connecting the video apparatus to at least one peripheral apparatus and graphically displaying images of predetermined portions of the video apparatus, and a manual display unit for graphically displaying portions of the manual in a predetermined sequence on the screen of the video apparatus according to the control signal, wherein the control signal sets the predetermined sequence. Applicant respectfully submits at least such features are not disclosed or suggested by Bingham.

For reasons similar to claims 1 and 7, Applicant respectfully submits claim 13 defines patentable subject matter. Further, Applicant respectfully submits Haffey fails to cure the noted deficiencies of Bingham. For at least the reasons above, Applicant respectfully submits claim 13 is allowable. Claims 14-18 depend from claim 13 and thus are allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as additional patentable features recited therein and the combinations thereof. Withdrawal of the rejections is thus respectfully requested.

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New claims 19 and 20 depend from claims 1 and 7, respectively, and thus are allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as additional patentable features recited therein and the combinations thereof. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 19 and 20 are thus earnestly solicited.

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**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, Garth D. Richmond, at the telephone number listed below. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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